



11 March 2018

Mr. Houlin Zhao
Secretary General ITU
Geneva
Switzerland

RE: 2018 ITU Plenipotentiary Conference

Dear Mr. Zhao:

It was good meeting you in Barcelona (at the Mobile World Congress) and having the opportunity to discuss the lead up to the 2018 ITU Plenipotentiary later in the year and other issues.

I am most grateful for your kind invitation, as discussed in Barcelona and in your letter to me of 13th November 2017, to attend the Plenipotentiary as a guest and speak during the opening stages. I would be delighted, on behalf of ICANN, to accept. I recognise the significance of the event both in terms of the overall future strategy for the ITU and also for enhancing the understanding of the potential of ICTs and the Internet for sustainable development.

I unfortunately will not be able to attend the WSIS Forum later this month (due to other conflicts) but am pleased that ICANN is, again, partnering the ITU for this important annual Conference. Tarek Kamel, as we discussed, will lead the ICANN team.

Finally, I am very pleased that, subject to the detailed arrangements, you will be able to attend and take part in the High-Level Government Meeting (HLGM) hosted by the Government of Spain on the 22nd October in Barcelona during our ICANN 63 meeting. I understand Nigel Hickson is discussing the logistics with Preetam from your office.

I look forward to seeing you in Barcelona if not before. Please feel free to visit us if your commitments ever took you to Los Angeles.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Göran Marby", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Göran Marby
President and Chief Executive Officer
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